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August 25, 2005

Ms. Jennifer Thangavelu
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Jennifer,

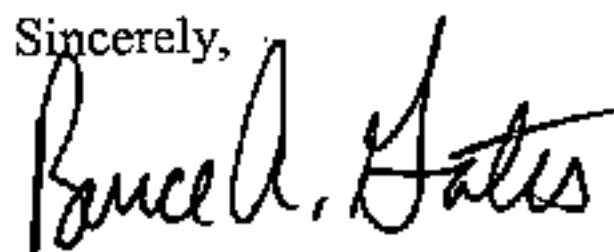
Per your request, attached please find a letter dated August 24, 2005 to the Coburn for Senate Committee requesting full refund of the \$5,000 contribution The Freedom Project made to their campaign in April 2005 that was designated as 2004 Debt Retirement.

This is in response to your letter dated July 27, 2005 (attached) indicating the above contribution exceeded the amount of actual debt the Coburn for Senate Committee actually carried.

We have asked them to refund the entire \$5,000 contribution so that both committees are in full compliance with Federal election law.

Thank you for your assistance regarding this matter and should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 546-6335.

Sincerely,



Bruce A. Gates
Treasurer

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August 24, 2005

Mr. Wade A. Stubbs
Coburn for Senate Committee
P.O. Box 977
Muskogee, OK 74402

Dear Wade,

I am writing you in regard to a letter we received from the Federal Election Commission (FEC) earlier this month.

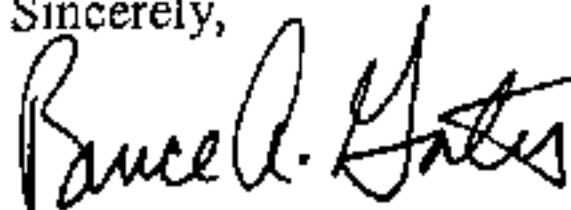
In April 2005, The Freedom Project made a \$5,000 contribution to the Coburn for Senate Committee that was designated as Debt Retirement for your 2004 campaign. According to FEC records, "...it appears that the recipient committee(s) had insufficient debts to warrant such a contribution."

Upon having a conversation with our Campaign Finance Analyst at the FEC, it was suggested that the best course of action was for your campaign to return the \$5,000 we sent you in April and The Freedom Project will in turn cut a new check for the same amount and designate for the 2006 Primary.

I apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you and ask that we remedy this situation as soon as possible so that we are in full compliance with Federal election law.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 546-6335.

Sincerely,



Bruce A. Gates
Treasurer

Cc: Jennifer Thangavelu
Campaign Finance Analyst
Federal Election Commission

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July 27, 2005

Bruce Gates, Treasurer
The Freedom Project
111 C Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003

Response Due Date:
August 26, 2005

Identification Number: C00305805

Reference: May Monthly Report (4/01/05-4/30/05)

Dear Mr. Gates:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above.** An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Schedule B of your report discloses one or more contributions to "Tom Coburn" for the retirement of debts incurred by the 2004 General election campaign; however, it appears that the recipient committee(s) had insufficient debts to warrant such a contribution. Please note that a committee may only designate contributions to retire a candidate's debts if those debts exist.

If any apparently impermissible contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If you have made an impermissible contribution, you must request a refund or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, refunds are reported on Line 16

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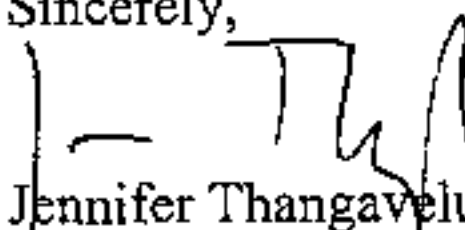
of the Detailed Summary Page and on Schedule A of the report covering the period during which they are received. Redesignations are reported as memo entries on Schedule B of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.2(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this impermissible activity, your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

Unlike previous election cycles, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.


Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1143.

Sincerely,


Jennifer Thangavelu
Campaign Finance Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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